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**WALKER ANNOUNCES COMPLETION OF \$1.03 MILLION
CONCOURSE E SECURITY CHECKPOINT EXPANSION AT
GENERAL MITCHELL INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

MILWAUKEE - County Executive Scott Walker today announced the completion of a renovation project at General Mitchell International Airport that increases the Concourse E security checkpoint from three lanes to four.

“The expansion was completed just in time to handle the peak of our busy summer travel season,” Walker said.

Northwest Airlines, Continental Express Airlines and AirTran Airways use the 10 gates on Concourse E, although AirTran has temporarily relocated to Concourse C due to construction.

The expanded checkpoint features glass walls between screening lanes, and new interior finishes, ceiling, lighting and fixtures. The project cost \$1.03 million.

Airport Director Barry Bateman said Mitchell International is preparing for the growth in numbers of passengers and flights forecast as part of the airport’s Master Plan. In 2005, a record number of passengers, 7.3 million, used Mitchell, an increase of more than nine percent over 2004.

General Mitchell International Airport is owned by Milwaukee County and operated by the Department of Public Works, Airport Division, under the policy direction of the Milwaukee County Executive and the County Board of Supervisors. The airport is entirely funded by user fees; no property tax dollars are used for the airport’s capital improvements or for its day-to-day operation. For more information on Mitchell International, visit www.mitchellairport.com.

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